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In re Application of:)
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Katsuhiko HIEDA, et al.) Group Art Unit: 2811
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Serial No.: 09/469,190) Examiner: Vu, Hung K.
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Filed: December 21, 1999)
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
METHOD FOR)
MANUFACTURING THE SAME)

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Sir:

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Final Office Action dated March 11, 2003, with a period for response extending through August 11, 2003, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time of two (2) months and requisite fee payment, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's reconsideration in view of the following remarks:

REMARKS

According to the Examiner, claims 1 – 10, 15, and 17 – 30 are pending, with claims 1 – 10, 15, 17, 18, and 20 – 30 withdrawn from consideration as drawn to a nonelected invention.

The Examiner again only examined claim 19 on the merits in the Final Office Action.¹

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¹ The Examiner withdrew claims 1 – 9, 17, 18, and 20 on September 13, 2001; withdrew claim 19 on March 27, 2001; and withdrew claims 1 – 10, 15, 17, 18, and 20 – 30 on September 24, 2002. The Examiner reinstated claim 19 for examination on the merits in the previous Office Action of September 24, 2002.